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SUBJ: LOS RESUMED SEVENTH SESSION AND THE CONTINENTAL SHELF

REF: (A) STATE 188840, (B) TEGUCIGALPA 2619

- 1. VICE FOREIGN MINISTER POLICARPO CALLEJAS TOLD EMBOFF THAT WHILE HE IS NOT FAMILIAR WITH "IRISH FORMULA" AS SUCH, HONDURAS WOULD MOST PROBABLY CONSIDER FAVORABLY ANY DEFINITION OF OUTER LIMIT CONTINENTAL SHELF THAT HAD WIDESPREAD CONSENSUAL SUPPORT. HE SAID GOH DELEGATE TO RESUMED SEVENTH SESSION, U.N. AMBASSADOR CARIAS, HAS BROAD AUTHORITY TO CONSIDER ISSUE ON BEHALF GOH (REF B).
- 2. CALLEJAS NOTED THAT HONDURAN CONSTITUTION CLAIMED CONTINENTAL SHELF OUT TO THE POINT WHERE EXPLOITATION OF RESOURCES FEASIBLE. HE ADMITTED THAT WITH SCIENTIFIC ADVANCES, THIS CLAUSE REQUIRED REDEFINITION, IMPLYING THIS PROBABLY WOULD BE DONE IN THE CONSTITUTIONAL ASSEMBLY SCHEDULED FOR JULY 1980 AND THAT UNTIL THEN IT WOULD NOT CONSTITUTE AN IMPEDIMENT TO AN LOS AGREEMENT FOR HONDURAS. CONFIDENTIAL

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3. COMMENT: IN VIEW FOREGOING, EMBASSY ASSUMES USDEL WILL CONTINUE CONTACTS WITH CARIAS, SEEKING GOH SUPPORT. JARAMILLO

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